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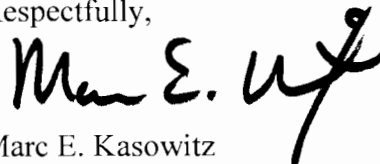
Re: Federal Housing Finance Agency v. SG Americas, Inc., et al., No. 11 Civ. 6203 (DLC); Federal Housing Finance Agency v. Morgan Stanley, et al., No. 11 Civ. 6739 (DLC); Federal Housing Finance Agency v. Ally Financial Inc., et al., No. 11 Civ. 7010 (DLC); Federal Housing Finance Agency v. General Electric Company, et al., No. 11 Civ. 7048 (DLC)

Dear Judge Cote:

I am principal trial counsel for plaintiff Federal Housing Finance Agency ("FHFA") in the above actions.

I am writing with regard to the hearing scheduled for Monday, May 14, 2012. I am lead counsel for the MBIA respondents in an Article 78 hearing commencing on that same day before Justice Barbara R. Kapnick in New York State Supreme Court, *ABN AMRO Bank, N.V. v. Dinallo*, which is scheduled to proceed for approximately three weeks. Accordingly, I am requesting that the Court excuse me from attending Monday's hearing and permit Mr. Hector Torres of our firm to appear on FHFA's behalf.

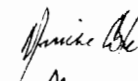
Respectfully,



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cc: Counsel of Record (via email)

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